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MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

RESOLUTION

TARIFFS

New Delhi, the 8th September 1961

No. 8(1)-T.R./61.—The Tariff Commission has submitted its Report on the continuance of protection to the Titanium Dioxide Industry on the basis of an inquiry undertaken by it under sections 11(e) and 13 of the Tariff Commission Act, 1951. Its recommendations are as follows:—

- (1) Protection to the industry should be continued for a further period of three years ending with 31st December, 1964, at the existing rate of protective duty of 35 per cent *ad valorem* (preferential) and 45 per cent *ad valorem* (standard).
 - (2) Travancore Minerals Ltd. should re-examine the question of supply of ilmenite to Travancore Titanium Products Ltd., and arrange to supply the material to this firm at a reduced rate not necessarily equated to export price.
 - (3) Kerala State Government should take adequate steps to maintain the canal from Alwaye to Trivandrum free from congestion and in navigable condition at all times throughout the year.
 - (4) The industry should carry out research with a view to diversifying its output and undertaking production of any grade for which a substantial demand may develop.
2. Government accept recommendation (1) and necessary legislation will be undertaken in due course.
3. Attention of the Travancore Minerals Ltd. is drawn to recommendation (2) for examination and such action as may be feasible.
4. The attention of the Kerala State Government is drawn to recommendation (3).
5. The attention of the industry is drawn to recommendation (4).

ORDER

Ordered that a copy of the Resolution be communicated to all concerned and that it be published in the Gazette of India.

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